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VIA ELECTRONIC FILING

Ms. Marlene Dortch
Secretary
Federal Communications Commission
445 12th St., SW, Room TWB-204
Washington, DC 20554

Re: Notice of Ex Parte Meeting:

Comments Requested On The Application By SBC Communications, Inc.
For Authorization Under Section 271 Of The Communications Act To Provide In-
Region, InterLATA Service In The States Of Kansas And Oklahoma, CC Docket
No. 00-217

Application by Verizon New England Inc., et. al. To Provide In-Region,
InterLATA Services in Vermont, CC Docket No. 02-7

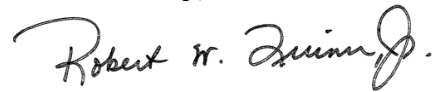
Dear Ms. Dortch:

On Thursday May 9, 2002, Larry Lafaro, Mike Lieberman and I met with Jeff Carlisle, Senior Deputy Chief of the Wireline Competition Bureau, Rich Lerner, Chief of Staff for the Wireline Competition Bureau, Deena Shetler, Deputy Chief of the Bureau's Pricing Policy Division, and Rhonda Lien, also of the Bureau's Pricing Policy Division to discuss issues related to price squeeze in the wake of the Vermont 271 decision. Specifically, we asserted that the Commission should continue to examine the price squeeze issue in detail even in situations where the issue turns on the retail rates at issue in the particular state. We reiterated that the Commission has an independent duty under the statute to ensure that RBOC entry into the interLATA marketplace is in the public interest and that it cannot be in the public interest to allow a carrier who exercises monopoly control in the local market into the long distance market. It is particularly important in those situations where the critical issue is the level of retail rates. In those situations, the Commission must act to require states to take the steps necessary to open

their local markets to competition. Failing to take those steps will mean that the Commission has failed in its statutory responsibilities.

The positions expressed by AT&T were consistent with those contained in the Comments and ex parte filings previously made in each of the aforementioned dockets. One electronic copy of this Notice is being submitted for each of the referenced proceedings in accordance with the Commission's rules.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, reading "Robert W. Quinn". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized "Q" at the end.

cc: Jeff Carlisle
Rich Lerner
Deena Shetler
Rhonda Lien